

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An elevator apparatus has an actuating device including a sheave around which a rope engaged with an ascending and descending cage is wound and a driving section for rotating the sheave. The
5 sheave is adapted to rotate to move the rope with its rotation.

The actuating device is installed in a machine room provided on a top floor of a building in which the ascending and descending cage is disposed. The machine room faces with an elevator passage for the cage.

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